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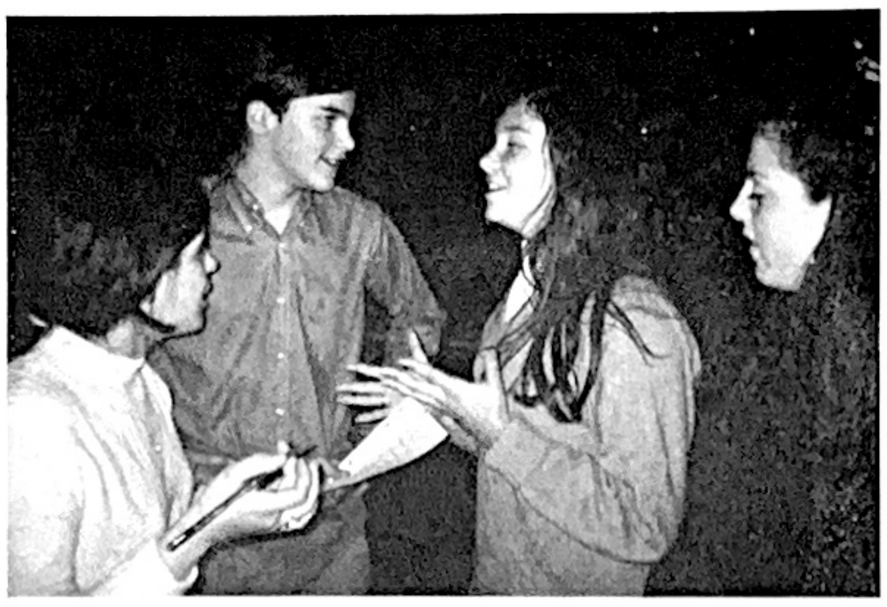

Assistant Director Fern Kreinberg discusses a rehearsal with actors Lanny Thomas, Joan Stearns, and Libby Dubick.

Wolfson's Drama *Excursion* Deals With Human Emotions

The Shaker Heights High School Drama Department will present its annual fall play, Victor Wolfson's *Excursion*, December 5 and 6.

THE PLAY, directed by John Barner and student Ferne Kreinberg, concerns a group of people who, totally bored with the dull routine of life in New York, decide to take an excursion cruise to Coney Island. Under the guidance of Captain Obadiah Rich, portrayed by Todd Parks, they travel in a corroded, weather-beaten ship, nearly ready for the junk yard. The captain, after careful consideration of the opinions of his passengers, concludes that they have no real desire to return to New York.

He feels that his passengers can develop their own society without interference from the outside world. An important portion of this basic plot deals with various character sketches that attempt to convey the passengers' feeling to the audience.

Social Council Inspects ID's

Social Council has begun an inquiry into the necessity of identification cards. At the Homecoming Dance, faculty turned away students whom they knew, but who did not have their ID's with them. In many cases couples were refused admittance because either the girl or the boy didn't have identification.

At the next date dance, the Junior Prom, only one member of a couple will need an ID for admittance. Social Council hopes to extend this amendment to involve all-school stage dances.

SOCIAL COUNCIL'S FUTURE plans include the annual Exam Bang. The theme this year will be "Up, Up, and Away." It would also like to hold a seminar concerning welfare. Welfare Committee chairman, Shelley Metzenbaum, is working on this suggestion.

ALDERSYDE HOUSE moves to rooms 107 and 110 this week. Dean of Aldersyde House Charles Zimmerman, counselors Patrick Burke, Mrs. Betty Bonthius, Phil Bachman, and Miss Patricia Gleason; and secretaries Mrs. Ecklund and Mrs. Black will be relocated in these rooms.

Vietnam Assemblies Present Contradictory Views on War

Responding to the Moratorium spirit, Dr. Greenham spearheaded the drive to provoke thought on the Vietnam War by arranging two consecutive days of assemblies, Wednesday, November 12 and Thursday, November 13.

THE SPEAKER November 12 was George Voinovich, lawyer and 53rd District representative to the State General Assembly. He defended President Nixon's timetable for the withdrawal of troops.

Joseph Buckley, professor of philosophy at John Carroll University spoke November 13. He favored immediate withdrawal of troops and defended Hanoi's position. After the speeches, students cross-examined the speakers by writing questions which student runners transmitted to the stage.

AT THE SECOND assembly November 12, ten people of college age interrupted Mr. Voinovich in the midst of his speech.

Voinovich wrestles with a student's question.

A girl seized the microphone and stated that she supported North Vietnam in the war. The group, after tearing up the speaker's notes and being booed by the audience, departed peacefully.

Freshmen Return for College Day, Answer Queries About Universities

Tentatively scheduled for the first week of Christmas vacation, or the first week following vacation, College Day at Shaker will be an opportunity for Shakerites to learn more about universities which they are interested in attending.

The Student Aid Committee, co-chairmanned by Pam Shakley and Greg Jacobs, hopes that Shakerites will be able to learn more about college life on campus. Freshmen who graduated from Shaker last year and now attend universities throughout the country are returning over the winter recess to talk to college-bound Shakerites.

Tables will be set up in the cafeteria at which student representatives from the various colleges will be stationed. Students can then be given information about a particular college as well as speaking with undergraduates.

Any student who would like an undergraduate from a certain university to appear at Shaker on College Day is asked to speak with either Pam Shakley or Greg Jacobs or to drop a note in the Student Aid Committee's mailbox in the Activity Office.

THE FREE SCHOOL on Monday, November 10 elected a steering committee consisting of Abby Goulder, Norman Kaplan, Seth Miller, Sylvia Peck, Barry Rollins, John Saks, and Jerry Yanowitz. In a meeting Wednesday, November 12, the committee elected John Saks chairman and discussed future plans.

Student Council Committees Evaluate Shaker's Final Exams, Racial Tensions

To assess racial tensions at Shaker and to examine final examinations, the Student Council Evaluation Committee has formed two new subcommittees.

Led by Chairman Peter Jones, the Subcommittee on Final Examinations will conduct a Curriculum - Committee - approved poll. Their questionnaire, aimed at both faculty and students, will record opinions on the length, frequency, and importance of final exams.

THE RESULTS of the poll will also reflect reactions to the proposal to exempt those students maintaining a high semester grade from final exams in that course for that semester. The Evaluation Subcommittee on Final Examinations will distribute the poll shortly after first semester so that sophomores will have final-exam experience on which to base their opinions.

The Evaluation Subcommittee on Racial Issues, under chairman Laura Rocker, has the assignment of investigating racial tensions at Shaker, defining the problems, and proposing solutions. In three preliminary summer meetings, one all-black meeting, one all-white meeting, and one integrated meeting, committee members discussed new approaches to the continuing racial problems of the school.

THE SUBCOMMITTEE'S tentative plans include an all-school assembly on racial issues to air student grievances brought before them. A representative black-and-white panel will discuss the problem and refer the thornier ones back to the subcommittee for research.

Because of the wide spectrum of views held by members of Dr. Greenham's now defunct committee which examined alleged racial discrimination in the selection of cheerleaders and majorettes, the Subcommittee on Racial Issues is trying to recruit more members from that group. Presently, four of the 12 student members of the cheerleaders' selection examining committee are on the Student Council Subcommittee.

Scrapbook Committee Saves Newsclippings of Shakerites

One of the least well-known student council committees is the scrapbook committee. The purpose of this committee is to make a permanent record of articles written about Shaker Heights High School.

THIS YEAR'S chairman, Sally Levine, described the work as a "one-man job." Each day she must read both Cleveland newspapers, plus the *Sun Press* on Thursdays, to check for articles on the high school, Shaker students, or faculty. Most articles are found on the Sports Page, or the Suburban Page, and in the *Sun Press*, so the job is not so tedious as it seems to be.

All the Shaker scrapbooks are kept in the activity office for any student to see. Last summer the Shaker delegates to the Ohio Association of Student Councils took the 1968-69 scrapbook along with the *Gristmill* to the conference to display the many activities in which Shaker students participate.

ALL STUDENTS are welcome to go up to the activity office to browse through the scrapbook collections. Chairman Levine hopes that the scrapbooks will spark interest in Shaker's long history.

Frequent Fires Disrupt School

During the past weeks, careless or malicious students have ignited many minor fires in the building, causing disruption of classes and occupying time of the Shaker Fire Department.

THE SOURCE OF the alarms has been fires in the main towel chutes, caused not only by cigarettes but also by flaming towels. Kenneth Caldwell, Assistant Principal with responsibility in this area, observed that while a sprinkler is located above each of the receptacles and will usually extinguish the flames, there is a great deal of danger inherent in evacuating the building with the construction taking place as well as the risk of a Fire Department accident en route to Shaker.

Mr. Caldwell also remarked, "The students responsible for these fires are not only thoughtless, but I think that they need some help."

ELLIOT HARRISON, chairman of the Grievance Committee pointed out, "It should be understood that the state requires 10 fire drills per school year, and at last count we have had 18."

Students for Black Identity Investigate African Heritage

by Cyndi Gold

Senior Jackie Robinson, coordinator of the Students for a Black Identify, would like "to get black togetherness and unity" at Shaker and "to make others aware of this unity."

JACKIE DESCRIBED black nationalism, which some club members advocate, as "a feeling, a state of mind, and pride." The club's militancy—an idea which many misinterpret—is that of the "passive militant" who favors self-awareness and awareness of his people.

Anticipating their upcoming African party, the members also plan for all-school assembly to present various aspects of black culture. Some members teach other students African dances and the making of African garments. S.B.I. meetings are open to anyone, but the club now needs a greater black attendance in order to unify all blacks at Shaker and promote a pride in their African heritage. The most important goal is "to get *ourselves* together," said Jackie.

FOR THE last meeting's moving program, Jackie led an experiment which showed participants the supreme power of their minds over all else. By relaxing their bodies and forgetting everything around them, the students gave their minds all of their strength for concentration.

Jackie Robinson addresses students at SBI meeting.

Drug Seminar Will Further Understanding of Narcotics

The use of drugs by a large percentage of students has become a serious problem at Shaker High. Many youths begin by smoking marijuana while having little knowledge of the ramifications of their actions. Since virtually no co-ordinated research has taken place to discover the scientific effects of drugs on the body, no one can categorically state that marijuana or LSD is either noxious or innocuous.

The Shakerite believes that Student Council should utilize the seminar program, which has proved useful in the discussion of current issues affecting Shaker, to provide students with a proper perspective about the effects of drugs. Doctors from local medical schools could discuss the problem through the research which they have either performed or studied. Current users and ex-addicts could debate about the effects of certain drugs through their own experiences. The relationship between drugs and crime, methods of curing "hard-core" addicts, and the advantages and disadvantages of the legalization of marijuana are additional topics which could be explored in formal presentations and student discussion groups.

THERE CAN BE no solution to the drugs problem until open discussion and research create a better understanding of drugs and their various physical and mental effects.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

I am writing to express my grievances against *The Shakerite*. I don't believe *The Shakerite* appeals to the majority of the students. Its lack of appeal lies partially in its irrelevant content. Most students would prefer reading about school events rather than movies held outside the school. Except for the sports page, the paper has the image of a newspaper for "smart" students only, because of its literary style and content. The sports page is read because it is geared to the entire student body.

Therefore, I would like to propose a few changes for *The Shakerite*. First, *The Shakerite* should include a column devoted to student affairs or "gossip". Byron's "B-Hive" and Woodbury's "People under the Steeple" do this successfully. Second, articles should contain more students' names. Last, *The Shakerite* should add some humor, such as Jim Siegelman's articles last year, or the humor in the junior high papers.

As a result of *The Shakerite's* image, the paper's sales are atrocious, the Activity Ticket failed, and *The Open Forum* was established. Don't you think something should be done?

Ken Reisenfeld

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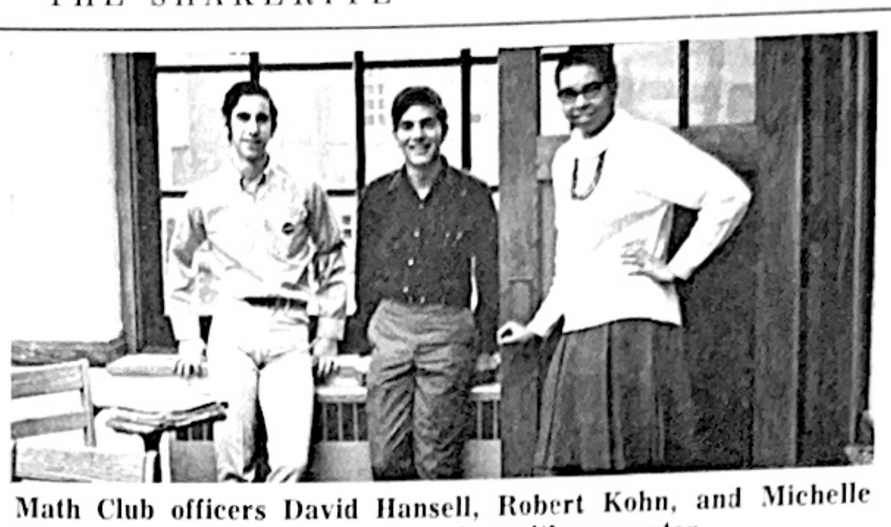


Math Club officers David Hansell, Robert Kohn, and Michelle Green emerge from pleasant session with computer.

Mansa Musa Brought Mali To Peak of Civilization

by David Adams

In 1312, Mansa Musa, undoubtedly one of the ablest statesmen of the time, became the ruler of the immense African empire Mali. His reign, lasting 25 years, carried Mali to the height of its power.

WHEN MANSA MUSA died, in 1337, Mali's fame had been thrust far across the world. Mali was one of the largest empires on earth, covering over 500,000 square miles. Mali, located in sub-Saharan west Africa, existed under a single system of law and order. Governors ruled over the different provinces. A traveler in the area, twelve years after Musa's death, noted the "complete and general safety in the land."

Contrary to popular mythology, those black Africans were not savages; they had a highly developed and sophisticated civilization. Mali's intellectual advancement was shown by her universities in the walled cities of Timbuctu and Jenne. She added a great deal to the advance of human knowledge. Her physical strength was demonstrated in her ability to "call up" 200,000 soldiers in a day. At her height, Mali was the equal of any contemporary civilization in Europe or Asia.

MALI'S LOCATION made it an excellent center for commerce. Trading routes, stretching north and south emptied into this kingdom. Because of this, Mali was extremely rich.

Editorial

G.C. Should Include Draft Counseling

At the age of eighteen, each American male must register with the Selective Service or risk imprisonment. Because of the ever-changing and always complex laws pertaining to this procedure, *The Shakerite* strongly suggests that draft information sessions be incorporated into the guidance program.

THE USE OF the title "Draft Counseling" for this course seems obvious, however, that phrase now implies counseling to resist the draft and not objective discussion of Selective Service procedures. *The Shakerite* does not suggest that Shaker's counseling policy be one opposing federal laws, for the administration of a public school should not (and legally cannot) espouse a political position.

It is not only unrealistic to demand illegal draft-resistance counseling at Shaker, but undesirable. The real value of information sessions on such a topic lies in their objectivity. No student should be told that one course of action is either right or wrong in such a controversial question. The laws should be explained fully and the alternatives outlined with all the penalties described, preferably by a knowledgeable lawyer. Then seminar sessions on moral obligations as they relate to the draft could help the students form opinions of their own, for the final decision must lie solely with the student: he alone risks death or imprisonment.

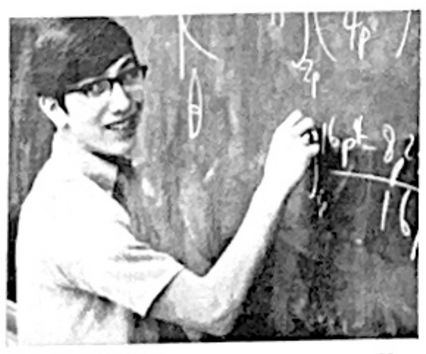
Students about to turn eighteen needs every fact that is available to make the best decision for him. The Selective Service system is complicated and for many, it is the first contact with the federal government and its bureaucratic intricacies. *The Shakerite* believes that the school's environment of learning and discussion lends itself to the presentation of facts concerning Selective Service and to seminars which could help all students balance their legal and moral obligation.

Exclusive Interview with Senior Schobel Shows Heart Beneath Computer Brain

by Ralph Hexter

Acknowledged math whiz and senior class statistician Bruce Schobel consented to give us one of his exclusive interviews. We asked him what he thought of Shaker's Advanced Placement Math Program. "Too slow. The accelerated sequence should begin at the junior high level. By their senior year, qualified students should be doing some difficult calculus. What's holding back those enrolled in the present course is the size of the classes: too large."

WE ASKED Bruce whether this would make the higher levels too selective and thus add to the separation by levels already in existence. "Fine, with the exception of level five, a person can take any level he feels capable of."



Math whiz Bruce Schobel tells pi like it is.

Turning to lighter topics, we asked him what he thought about the competition for grades. "Great. Although it may be amusing to see people fighting for each ten-thousandth of a point, it's a good incentive."

For our final question, we asked him about pi. "3.1415926535 . . ." he began, as we quietly stole out, being careful not to interrupt the intensive concentration required to recite it to one hundred places.

Math Club Plans Varied Programs

The Shaker Heights High School Mathematics Society is dead. But the Math Club is alive and multiplying in Room 101.

PRESIDENT MICHELLE Green explains, "We felt that 'Mathematics Society' sounded stuffy and frightened students away. 'Math Club' sounds more casual." She seems to have been right, for the club which in previous years contained only level-5 male prodigies has now expanded to include 33 members of both sexes.

This year the club is planning presentations on a wide range of topics by both students and teachers from Shaker and other schools. Members of the club have presented programs on subjects as varied as three-dimensional Tic-Tac-Toe, computer languages and diophantine equations. Other speakers include Robert Brown of the Shaker faculty, Edward Malenko from Empire Junior High and most recently Eugene Smith of Wayne State University, who discussed the topic "Fun, Fascination, and Mathematics."

THE OFFICERS, Michelle Green, Larry Brenkus, Robert Kohn and David Hansell stress the fact that the club is not restricted to A.P. math students, but welcomes any student with an interest in mathematics.

The club also compiles the "Shaker Math Review," a collection of mathematical problems, which is available to students at the end of each semester.

Suddenly There Came a Rapping

by Amanda Peachtree

Fire Alarm Bells Ring

The Shakerite fondly bids farewell to the belle of the senior class, **Connie Flagration,** who will marry **Fire Chief Smokey Burns** this Saturday. When Connie and her fiance first met during a second-period fire alarm and Smokey forcibly carried her from the Shaker swimming pool, to her assigned fire-drill location, it was thought that Smokey was no match for Connie. Engaged twice before, Connie told one *Shakerite* reporter, "This time it's not a false alarm."

Suggestion Box

Grievance Committee Chairman **Elliot Harrison** has finally aired his own gripes—but not about the school. Elliot, say his close friends, is sick of the Grievance girls and is preparing to leave for the Evaluation Committee where he will serve with that saucy junior **Cyndi Gold.** Supposedly, the two "rapped" well on Grievance Day, and the question on everybody's mind is, "Will their rapping turn to rapture?"

Tropic of Calculus Revisited?

At the recent underground pool party of Cupid ("Cue") Thumbs, daring math wizard **Rank N. Class** chalked up not only his cue but also another girlfriend on his ever-increasing list. Rank's expertise in the arts of pool and love helped him hit **Pandora Hustled's** eight-ball thus sinking the waning fortunes of Pandora's hapless ex, **Bill Yards,** into the corner pocket.

In Love and War

The newest happening on the Shaker social scene concerns that wicked junior **Ken Reisenfeld** and his very, very extracurricular life. Apparently, Ken, when playing the game of Hearts, shoots for the moon, and, if rumor proves correct, he is now shooting for *senior* **Sylvia Peck.** Ken's watchful waiters have spotted him with Sylvia at two consecutive Vietnam Moratorium Days, and his many female admirers are beginning to despair. Could it be???

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Booters Close With.500Mark

Shaker's dauntless kickers dropped two of their three concluding matches to end the season with a rather disappointing 5-5-1 record. Rocky River proved no match whereas Hudson and Western Reserve Academy gave the Raiders a great deal of trouble.

THE BOOTERS' finest hour passed in a morass of cold mud at Hudson. Hudson led 2-1 at the half. Shaker came back in the second half to score on a boot by Gary Kastner, and outplay the best team in Ohio.

Shaker had previously smashed Rocky River, 5-0. Dave Barclay and Barry DiBiasio netted two goals each while Bob Chew sneaked in the fifth.

IN THE season finale against WRA, the footmen again outplayed their opponents. It wasn't until the last seconds, however, that Jim Howard knocked in an Alan Inglis corner kick to account for Shaker's sole score in that 2-1 loss.

The defense, composed of Dave Boyd, Tom Mitchell, Bill Ginn, and goalie Bill Davis, turned in numerous stellar performances during the season; they registered three shutouts and held the opponents to a total of 11 goals. The sadly unprolific offense, paced by DiBiasio (four goals) and Inglis (three goals) shot a frustrating 10 percent, tallying 17 times.

Shaker hockey enthusiasts display their skill and spirit.

Hockey Team Finishes With 4-2-1; First Interclass Tournament Held

The senior girls' varsity field hockey team started their season optimistically with an undefeated junior year behind them. Unfortunately, they were not able to keep this claim, finishing with a 4-2-1 record. The junior and sophomore teams did fine jobs this year completing with records of 3-0-2 and 1-1 respectively.

MISS LUCILLE Burkett, head of the girls' physical education department, summed up the quality of all three hockey teams saying, "The seniors' consistent effort and willingness to learn new positions and to practice stick work showed a marked improvement in the season. The juniors showed strength in numbers and indicated a keen sense of game strategy. Their enthusiasm coupled with improved stick-work made for a winning team. The sophomores realized that there is more to the game of hockey than just hitting a ball."

For the first time in five years the field hockey interclass tournament was completed. This competition is among the winning teams in each class. The junior team defeated the sophomores, and, as expected, the senior hockey team reigned victorious.

EIGHT NEW Girls' Gym Leaders were installed at a tea held October 15, 1969, in the social room. These girls had to pass difficult written and practical tests before being accepted into the club. After similar tryouts, five girls were welcomed into the Swim Leader Club and eleven girls became Sharks.

The volleyball intramural program recently got underway. Tryouts for the girls' varsity team are now in progress.

Minnelli Gives Warmth To Tender "Sterile Cuckoo"

by Cathy Wheeler and Peter Borowitz

"The Sterile Cuckoo" is a simple story of love and loneliness. Rather than ponderously trying to resolve some major moral issue, Alan J. Pakula's movie deals with a few months in the barren life of Pookie Adams, a sensitive, isolated girl wandering on the outskirts of reality in her search for a dream world free of "weirdos."

POOKIE, a motherless girl whose father ignores her, first encounters her intended saviour from loneliness, Gerry Paine, on the bus to their separate New England small colleges. Pookie aggressively approaches shy Gerry, whose major passion is bugs, with wily devices, and continues these tactics when she invites herself for a visit to his school a few weekends later. After many such efforts, the two develop the relationship which becomes Pookie's sole escape from the college students she contemptuously calls "weirdos."

The relationship survives a false-pregnancy panic but eventually succumbs to Gerry's need to join the real college world of "weirdos" with which Pookie cannot cope. Pookie, devoid of family and lover, must face a tragic return to existing totally alone.

LIZA MINNELLI'S poignant portrayal of the tough, nutty, yet tender Pookie is largely responsible for the success of "The Sterile Cuckoo." Wendell Burton is also excellent in his characterization of the gentle boy whose ability to live in a normal world compels him to hurt the girl for whom he sincerely cares.

A tendency towards triteness damages the otherwise high quality of the film. Director Pakula overdoes the romantic let's-frolic-in-the-fields scenes, which somewhat resemble Clairol commercials. These flaws make the first half of the film a trifle tedious.

LIZA MINNELLI takes full advantage of the dramatic possibilities in the role of Pookie Adams, creating a warm and entertaining film.

Lopez's *Afro-6* Dramatizes Black Conquest of New York

by Michelle Green

One of the newest paperbacks on the stands is a novel called *Afro-6*, written by Hank Lopez. It is fiction only because it has not yet happened, not because it could not happen. The story relates the black conquest of New York City, centering on one of the black leaders, John Rios, and one of his friends, a white man named Alan Geller.

USING AN odd mixture of first-person and third-person style, the author tries to show both sides and both opinions in the black-white conflict. His vocabulary is neither limited to the stultified language of the pseudo-intellectual elite, nor to the inner-city "soul" of black people, he uses both to his advantage.

Many passages in the book are devoted to specific details of the strategy and tactics of the black task force. During the conflict itself, the author avoids the distant, detached violence of the mass media and employs instead "split-second images of death and survival," images that are almost tangible.

THIS STYLE results in a verisimilitude so real as to make the reader temporarily forget he is reading fiction. The attack is so well documented that the situation not only becomes possible but plausible also.

Possibly the only unsatisfactory aspect of this fine adventure novel is the omission of the consequences of the conflict. Government retaliation as a result of the struggle is only treated briefly. Nearly 70-million dollars worth of gold bullion is left unaccounted for. Yet, it is perhaps only fitting in that the narrator, Rios, is in no position to relate more than the book does.

THE STORY raises one lingering question: will it take something this drastic to shock the White Establishment into decisive action? Rios voices the overall message of the story when he says "—no white man—knows a damned thing about what's really happening among the black people in this country." Black disillusionment is far stronger than heretofore imagined, and this novel transmits only a fraction of black rage.

AFRO-6 is not a book to be taken lightly. An open mind will best appreciate this book. If you really want the mood, play the soundtrack to the movie "Che!" while you read and decide for yourself whether it is exciting fiction or frightening reality.

Sports Shorts

by Alan Inglis

Congratulations to linemen Lester Brooks, Ed Hines, and Blair Taliaferro, running backs Brian Clarke and Reg Fleming, and quarterback Steve Sanna. Each earned first team spots on the All-Lake Erie League football squad.

ONE OF the football team's most ardent fans hails from Lakewood. Arthur Tietjen, retired, has attend Shaker games for many, many years. Mr. Tietjen enjoys ice-skating.

JUNIOR CROSS-country standout Keith Brown has just recovered from an abdominal operation. In spite of his condition, Keith captured third place in the LEL Individual and the Highland District meets, fourth place in the Regionals and 18th in the State meet.

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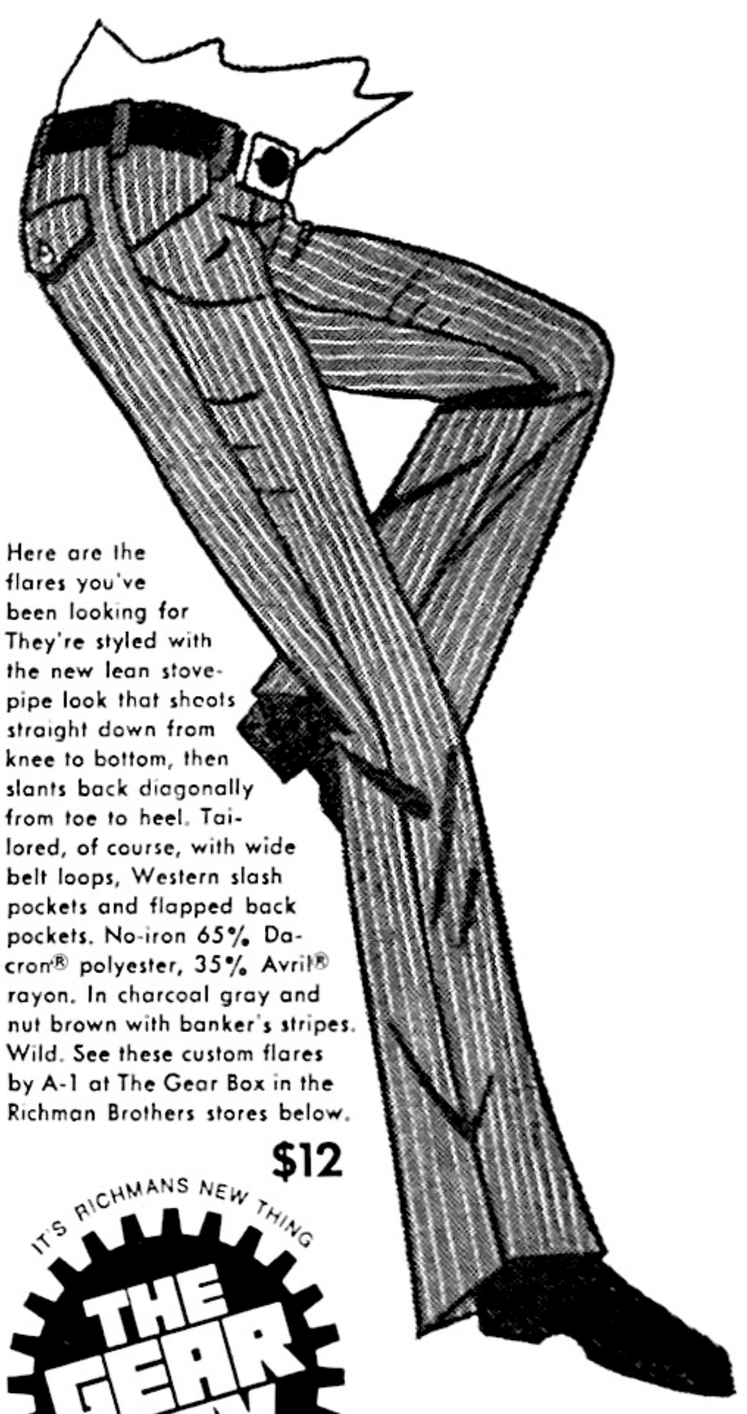

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Raiders Triumphant; Finish Second in LEL

By defeating both Cleveland Heights and Lakewood, the Shaker High Red Raiders finished the 1969 season with the best record of any Shaker football team since 1961.

THE RAIDERS, who won their last six games, finished with an 8-2 overall and 7-2 Lake Erie League record, and in a tie with Valley Forge for second place in the LEL.

Playing without injured Reggie Fleming, Shaker had to overcome Heights' 12-0 fourth quarter lead in their 14-12 conquest of the rival Tigers. Brian Clarke, recently reactivated after a knee injury, who ran for a six-yard touchdown and for the winning extra points, and Rob Nathanson who returned a Tiger punt, blocked by Jim Mooney, for the tying touchdown rallied the Raiders to the triumph.

IN THE season finale, Shaker destroyed Lakewood 58-16. Dean Rudoff, scored three touchdowns for Shaker while Tim Fudge and Contrell Brantley scored two each and Bob Nathanson one.

Coach Al Raymond attributed the Raiders' success this year to team "spirit and unity" and stated that he hates "to see the season end for such a dedicated group of young men."

SHAKER'S FOOTBALL future is bright as the JV squad finished 8-1 in the LEL.

Contrell Brantley fights for extra yards against Heights.

Tony Manning gets off shot in recent basketball practice.

Matmen, Mermen Start Practice

Shaker's wrestling and swimming teams began practice in early November in preparation for their coming seasons. Both teams are working hard towards their first meets in December.

THE WRESTLING team will be working with new weight classes this year. Last year the lowest weight class was 103 pounds, but this year there will be a new class at 98 pounds. As a result the weight for each class will be a little higher than last year. The team will have lettermen David Kirschenbaum, Bob Gross, Steve Wolkin, Lester Brooks, and Tim Karpoff returning from last year's team.

After last year's disheartening season the swimmers will be regrouping for a comeback under their new coach, Dan Cahill. He will have five returning lettermen in Jim Howard, Dave Littman, Bill Osher, Dave Stilson, and Jim Wolen. In addition to the returning lettermen there are several new additions to the team. Coming up from last year's junior varsity are Chuck Chokel, Mike Hutton, Marc Kelman, and Steve Williams. Peter Haven, who transferred to Shaker from Shaw, is also a promising addition to the team.

Ricers Fourth in State; Win LEL Championship

The Shaker cross-country team ended a highly successful season on a happy note in Columbus. The Raiders placed fourth in the state meet led by the Kramer twins, Jeff and Jim.

IN THE Ohio Class AA Cross-Country Championship, Shaker finished a strong fourth behind Cleveland and St. Joseph, Toledo DiVilbiss, and Cincinati Elder. Jeff Kramer grabbed third place while Jim took 15th. Keith Brown garnered 18th for the harriers.

The Ricers also won the LEL crown as they demolished every team on their schedule. They next captured the LEL Championship meet, the District meet, and the regional titles. Never had a Shaker cross-country team won so many titles, including the LEL crown.

COACH BOB Rice will lose a large part of his team, as seniors Jeff and Jim Kramer, John Hopwood, Jim Green, Jon Kilroy, and Rick Marous graduate in June. However, he should have a sound nucleus for next year led by juniors Brown, Mark Balogh, and Karl Weinfurtner; and sophomore John Kinsella.

New Swim Coach Cahill Brings Youth to Athletic Department

One of the newest and youngest additions to Shaker High's Physical Education Department is Dan Cahill, coach of the junior varsity soccer and varsity swim teams. He is so young, in fact, that he is often mistaken for a student.

MR. CAHILL, who recently graduated from Miami University of Ohio, was born in Hamilton, Ohio, where he was a high school swimming star and sports editor of the school paper.

At Miami, Mr. Cahill, who majored in physical education and minored in history, was a four-year letterman in swimming. He competed on three Miami Mid-American Conference championship teams, and set a record in the 400-yard individual medley.

WHEN ASKED what he thinks of Shaker, Mr. Cahill jokingly replied, "I think I enjoy it now, but I'll be more certain after the swimming season is over."

Hoopers Prime For Difficult League Slate

This year's version of the Shaker basketball team takes the floor with the Parma Redmen in the home opener Wednesday night at 7:00. The Raiders, whose schedule is confined to the tough Lake Erie League, will attempt to better last year's mediocre 4-14 record.

RETURNING TO the courts from last year's team are captain Steve Sanna, Tony Manning, Hugh Lewis and Greg Golenberg. Sanna, who distinguished himself in last year's Bedford tourney, and Manning, last year's top scorer, should pose Shaker's greatest outside scoring threat.

Dave Hutzel and Scott Keller, two 6'-3" sophomores, will provide sorely needed muscle on the boards. Two members of last year's JV team, Bob Nathanson and Bill Jones will also see alot of action. There are others, too, who may be pressed into regular service as the season progresses.

COACH FRED Heinlen comments, "It's going to be tough going the first time around. We'll just have to give some inexperienced boys time to play." He states that the team will work on running the fast-break and shooting the ball from the outside.

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